
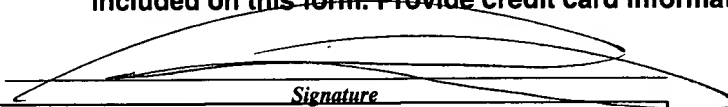
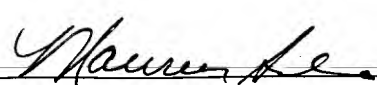


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| <b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)</b>   |                                     |                                       |  | Docket No.<br><b>818002 (50239-00001)</b> |                                 |
| Applicant(s): <b>GILBERT</b>   |                                     |                                       |  |   |                                 |
| Application No.<br><b>09/930,829</b>   | Filing Date<br><b>08/15/2001</b>    | Examiner<br><b>POPHAM, Jeffrey D.</b> | Customer No.<br><b>25231</b>   | Group Art Unit<br><b>2137</b>             | Confirmation No.<br><b>1439</b> |
| Invention:<br><b>De-identification and Linkage of Data Records</b>   |                                     |                                       |  |   |                                 |
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| <u>COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u>   |                                     |                                       |  |   |                                 |
| Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.  |                                     |                                       |  |   |                                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27  |                                     |                                       |  |   |                                 |
| The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.   |                                     |                                       |  |   |                                 |
| <b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>   |                                     |                                       |  |   |                                 |
|  | CLAIMS REMAINING<br>AFTER AMENDMENT | HIGHEST #<br>PREV. PAID FOR           | NUMBER EXTRA<br>CLAIMS PRESENT   | RATE                                      | ADDITIONAL<br>FEE               |
| TOTAL CLAIMS   | 28 -                                | 37 =                                  | 0  | x \$25.00                                 | \$0.00                          |
| INDEP. CLAIMS  | 7 -                                 | 13 =                                  | 0  | x \$100.00                                | \$0.00                          |
| Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>   |                                     |                                       |  |   | \$0.00                          |
| <b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>   |                                     |                                       |  |   | <b>\$0.00</b>                   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for amendment.<br><input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____<br><input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <b>50-1419</b><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.<br><input type="checkbox"/> Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.<br><input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.<br><b>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</b> |                                     |                                       |  |   |                                 |
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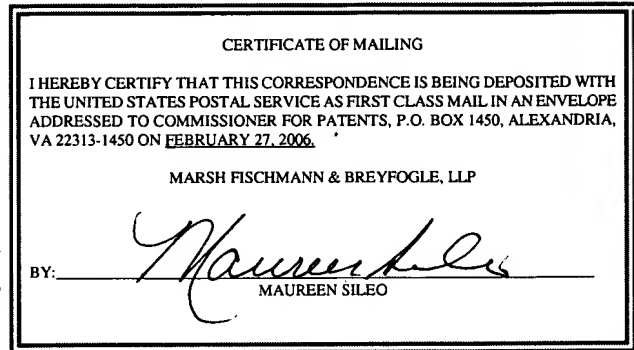
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For: "De-identification and Linkage of Data  
Records"

) Group Art Unit: 2137

) Examiner: Popham, Jeffrey D.

) AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE



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Dear Sir:

The Applicant submits this Amendment and Response to address the Office Action having a mailing date of August 26, 2005. Enclosed herewith is a petition for a three-month extension of time, thereby extending the time period for response from December 26, 2005 to February 27, 2006, as well as a check in the amount of \$510.00 as the fee for such extension. Please credit any overpayment or charge any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1419. Although the Applicant believes that no other fees are due for filing this Amendment and Response, please charge any fees deemed necessary to Deposit Account No. 50-1419. Additionally, please credit any overpayment or charge any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1419.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: